SECTION 02535

MANHOLES

LANL MASTER CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATION

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Specification developed for ML-3 projects. For ML-1 / ML-2, additional requirements and QA reviews are required.

PART 1 GENERAL

Refer to LANL Standard Civil Drawing ST-G3030-3 for storm water manhole detail and Drawing ST-G3030-1 for sanitary sewer manhole detail.

1.1 SECTION INCLUDES

A. Precast concrete manhole sections and manhole frame and cover castings for use in [sanitary sewer and storm water] systems.

1.2 SUBMITTALS

- A. Submit the following in accordance with Section 01330, Submittal Procedures:
 - 1. Certifications: Furnish copies of materials certificates certifying that each material item complies with, or exceeds, specified requirements.

PART 2 PRODUCTS

2.1 MATERIALS

- A. Provide precast concrete manhole sections (base barrel sections, risers and conical/eccentric tops, flat slab tops, grade rings, etc.) per ASTM C478.
 - 1. Concrete: Compressive strength of 4000 psi for 28 days.

B. Manhole Frame and Cover

- 1. Provide castings true to patterns in form and dimension, and free from pouring faults, sponginess, cracks, blowholes, or other defects in locations affecting their strength and value for the service intended. Provide castings with fillets at angles with sharp and true risers.
- 2. Provide castings conforming to ASTM A48, Class 30B.
 - a. Machine or grind bearing surfaces of the frames and covers to furnish a uniform, flat, non-rocking seat for the cover on the frame.
 - b. Provide cover with the word "Sewer" cast on the sewer manhole cover.
 - c. Provide cover with the word "Storm Drain" cast on the storm water manhole cover.
- C. Sealing Gasket (precast manhole sections): Mastic Gasket as manufactured by RAM-NEK or Kent Seal

PART 3 EXECUTION

3.1 INSTALLATION

- A. Compact soil foundations for manhole base to density of 95 percent of the maximum density per ASTM D 1557. Compaction shall be minimum 1 foot beyond perimeter of concrete base and shall be a minimum of 1 foot in depth.
- B. Invert elevation of pipes entering or exiting manhole and interior inverts shall not vary more than 0.05 foot from the elevations.
- C. Use 4,000 psi at 28 days concrete for formed-in-place foundations or bases, concrete shelves, pipe supports, and concrete fill.
- D. Depending on size of pipe, make connections to existing and new manholes by either core drilling through manhole wall (perform for new precast units), or carefully chipping wall segment. Take care to avoid unnecessary damage to manhole surfaces or walls.
- E. Provide waterstop before placing non-shrink grout in manhole wall around piping. Coat interior surface of manhole to provide watertight seal.
- F. Seal grade ring and cover with mastic and/or grout to provide watertight seal and the prevention of displacement of rings.

3.2 MANHOLES

- A. The vertical riser sections of manhole may be of different dimensions in order that manholes of various depths can be readily assembled.
- B. Install circular precast manhole sections with sealing gasket to seal joints between sections. Clean joints prior to installation.
- C. Fill lifting holes and gaps at joints with a nonshrink grout.
- D. Precast concrete manhole bases may be used when approved by LANL's Utility Group wastewater system representative. If approved, it is with the understanding that placing the bases at the specified elevation, location, and alignment is the Contractor's responsibility.

3.3 GRADE RINGS

- A. Use mastic and/or grout to lay grade rings.
- B. Grade rings shall remain plumb and vertically aligned during backfilling and paving operations.

3.4 MANHOLE FRAME AND COVER

A. Provide ductile iron castings as shown on the Drawings and as specified herein. The castings shall include manhole frames and covers.

3.5 TESTING OF SEWER MANHOLES

- B. Test sanitary sewer manholes for leakage by a water exfiltration test. Submit test reports to the LANL Construction Inspector. Perform test prior to backfilling around manhole and prior to placement of manhole frame and cover. Properly plug inlet and outlet lines and fill and seal lift holes and barrel joints as specified.
- C. Furnish all materials and equipment necessary to perform test and conduct test in the presence of the LANL Construction Inspector. Allow a stabilization period of 1 hour absorption, after which, refill manhole as necessary before starting test. Perform test for a period of 2 hours, after which refill manhole, measuring necessary quantity of water. An allowable leakage of 0.75 gallons per foot diameter per vertical foot per day is allowed and is represented by the following formula:

	V =	0.75 DHT/24
Where:	V =	Allowable loss in gallons
	D =	Manhole diameter in feet
	H =	Initial depth of water to invert in feet
	T =	Duration of test in hours

END OF SECTION

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